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## **LETTER**

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Sir:

Pursuant to the Notification of Acceptance mailed March 3, 2008 in connection with the above-identified application, enclosed herewith are copies of the documents that were cited in the International Search Report and listed on the attached Form PTO-SB08 filed with the Information Disclosure Statement on May 16, 2008.

The PTO is requested to make these documents of record in the file of the present application and to return the enclosed initialed Form PTO-SB08 to the undersigned.

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If necessary, the Commissioner is hereby authorized in this, concurrent, and future replies, to charge payment or credit any overpayment to our Deposit Account No. 02-2448 for any additional fees required under 37 C.F.R. § 1.16 or under § 1.17; particularly, extension of time fees.

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